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Here in HONDO
LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Happy
Prosperous
New Year to all
is the wish of the Anvil Herald
Watches—Perfect
Gift—at WINDROW DRUG
STORE.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Windrow of
Uvalde visited homefolks here over
Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Crow spent
the week-end and Christmas with re-
latives in Austin.

Mr. Bill Wood of March Field,
California, is here for the holidays
with Mrs. Wood.

Mr. Steve Filleman of Houston
spent Christmas with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Filleman.

FOR SALE—40 head sheep, 26
ewes, 9 mottos. See E. E. KOLL-
MAN, Phone 18 or 957F21. 3tc.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Davis and sons
left Tuesday for their home in Paris,
Texas, after spending the week here
with relatives.

Robert David Windrow of the Uni-
versity of Texas, Austin, is the guest
of his sister, Mrs. George R. Carle,
over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bardin and
daughters, Evelyn and Velma, re-
turned Tuesday from a visit with
relatives in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schroeder and
Mrs. Lucy Scherrer of San Antonio
were guests of Judge and Mrs. Ed de
Montel on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harvey Wilson
and children of Edcouch, Texas, are
the guests of his mother, Mrs. Isaac
Wilson, for Christmas week.

Trade goes where it is invited; it
stays where it is well treated. Are
you inviting trade to your business
through an ad in this paper?

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Haass and
baby son of Lubbock paid his par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Haass, a
short visit during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Russell and
children of El Campo spent Christ-
mas here with her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. W. J. Nester, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Rothe and
son, Bonnard, were guests of Mr.
and Mrs. Horace Cox Jr. and baby
son in San Antonio Christmas Day.

Ted Dawson, University of Texas
student and 1940 co-captain of the
Texas Longhorns, is the holiday
guest of his mother, Mrs. Nora Daw-
son.

Miss Fay Iris Carter of the Santa
Rosa Nurses Training School, San
Antonio, spent Christmas here with
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A.
Carter.

FOR SALE: Used furniture; small
gas heater; 50-lb. capacity ice box;
bedroom bedstead and gas cook-
stove. 312-73 rings or apply at
18,000 M. office.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. arrived home
from a several days' visit
allowed in Temple and Dallas.
He has a second daughter, Beth, re-
siding in a longer visit.

Monroe Rucker came in last week-
end from California for a holiday
visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
L. F. Rucker. Monroe enlisted in the
U. S. Army several months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Mary Price arrived Sat-
urday from New Orleans, La., for a
holiday visit with her son-in-law and
daughter, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Taylor,
and her grandson, Blanton Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rollins and
daughter of College Station spent
Christmas here with her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. M. A. Chancey, and other
relatives. They returned home Tues-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knorr of
Kingsville spent the week-end with
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E.
Haass, and left Christmas Day for
Corpus Christi where they will reside
indefinitely.

FOR RENT—Five-room and hall
cottage on highway; remodeled, new
paint inside and outside; new paper;
complete bathroom fixtures with hot-
water heater. Phone 127-3 rings or
apply at Anvil Herald office. 1tf.

FOR SALE: Three-room and porch
cottage, in good condition, with all
out-houses, wire gates, posts, water
pipes, will be sold off lot at Dunlay,
Texas, for \$300.00. Or will sell above
house with two lots for \$350.00. In-
quire at this office or phone 127-
3 rings. 1tf.

J. H. Rothe of A. and M. College
spent Christmas here with his par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Rothe, and
left Tuesday for school from where
he will accompany the Texas Aggies
to New Orleans for the football game
in the Sugar Bowl on New Year's
Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tampke of
Utopia spent Christmas here with
Mr. and Mrs. V. Horace Crow and
daughter, Doolie, and the group joined
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Crow and Mr.
and Mrs. R. L. Jennings and son,
John Henry, for a Christmas tree at
the Jennings home on Christmas
Eve.

COMMISSIONERS SET DATE FOR ROAD BOND ELECTION

The Commissioner's Court of Me-
dina County convened December 26
in a special term at 10 o'clock at the
courthouse, for the purpose of hold-
ing a hearing on the petition for an
election in Road District No. 2 of
Medina County, upon the question of
authorizing the issuance of \$60,000
Road Bonds and levying ad valorem
taxes in payment thereof. All mem-
bers of the Court were present.

The petition was made by Ed H.
Seekatz and fifty other resident
property taxpayers voters of Road
District 2. Evidence for and against
the proposed bond election was heard
by the Court, which decreed the pe-
tition should be granted and the elec-
tion was ordered to be held in the
District on February 3rd, 1940.

The election calls for the issuance
of \$60,000.00 Road Bonds, bearing
interest at the rate of not exceeding
4 per cent per annum and maturing
at such time as the Court may deem
most expedient, not later than twenty
years from their date, for the pur-
pose of construction, maintenance and
operation of macadamized, gravel-
ed or paved roads and turnpikes in
Road District No. 2. The proceeds
of the bonds were set out in the pe-
tition to be allocated as follows:

\$24,000 for the improvement of
the road leading from LaCoste to
Rio Medina and toward Medina
Lake; of this amount \$17,000 in the
LaCoste area and \$7,000 on roads in
Rio Medina, Haby Settlement and
Cliff area.

\$7,000 for the improvement of the
roads leading into Dunlay and vicin-
ity.

\$17,000 for the purchase of right-
of-way on Highway No. 90.

\$2,000 to be equitably allocated
by the Commissioners' Court of Me-
dina County.

COUNTY COURT TO CONVENE

The County Court for Medina
County will convene Wednesday,
January 3, 1940, at the courthouse
for its regular term of court. The
following are new cases on the
docket:

Criminal

State of Texas vs. Ross C. Adams,
swindling with worthless check.

State of Texas vs. Anastacio Villa,
aggravated assault.

State of Texas vs. C. J. Johnson,
assault with motor vehicle.

State of Texas vs. Pete Heilbron,
attempt to hunt wild ducks from a
power boat.

State of Texas vs. Agapito Cam-
pos, theft.

Civil

State of Texas vs. Frank Rihn and
Hulda Rihn.

State of Texas vs. Mrs. Philipina
Bendele et al.

Mrs. Cora Yarbrough vs. O. F.
Yarbrough.

Ben Balzen vs. H. C. Oefinger et
al, suit on promissory note.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, December 31: Sunday
school at 9:15 and English services
at 10:30.

Sunday evening at 7:30: Sylvester
services in German.

You are urged to attend both of
these services. Time flies. We are
hurried along at a gait we cannot
control. Job exclaims: "Behold, my
days are swifter than a weaver's
shuttle". The end of life is nearing.
On every hand we see friends de-
parting. We must soon follow. Does
the thought startle you? What prepa-
rations have you made for the be-
yond?

Be present at these services and
consider how you may so number
your days as to be wisely prepared
for the ending of them.

On Wednesday, January 3, the
Ladies' Aid convenes in the home of
Mrs. P. Reinhart at D'Hanis.

P. CZERKUS.

WE ARE HAVING SOME WEATHER

Santa Claus brought this section
a fine rain Christmas eve night and
Christmas Day. While it did not fill
anyone's tanks, to say nothing of
stockings, it amounted to 1.10 inches,
according to Judge Haass's rain
gauge, and filled the surface of the
ground with some much needed mois-
ture.

It has been cloudy and cold most
of the time since, and the tempera-
ture dropped to 31 degrees Wednes-
day morning and brought the first
killing frost of the winter.

As we go to press Thursday night
it is cloudy and growing cold, with
prospects of a hard freeze unless the
temperature moderates.

MR. W. H. WIEMERS DEAD

Mr. W. H. Wiemers of Hondo, 80
years of age, passed away about
9:30 A. M. Thursday morning, De-
cember 28, at the P. & S. Hospital
in San Antonio, where he had been
ill for two weeks with pneumonia.
His body was brought to the Horger
funeral home here Thursday after-
noon and funeral services will be
held at the Horger chapel at 2
o'clock this afternoon (Friday). In-
terment will be made at New Foun-
tain. We hope to have a sketch of
the deceased's life for next week's
paper.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Finger of
D'Hanis are the parents of a 5-lb.
12-ounce baby girl, born December
26, 1939, at Medina Hospital.

John Nance Garner of Texas Lauded in New Campaign Song



DALLAS—A swinging melody and catchy words—in a new song about John
Nance Garner, Vice President, has just been published under the title: "Cactus
Jack," by the songwriting combination of Rex Lampman and Jack Foy.

Amateur song-writers have deluged the Dallas headquarters of the Gar-
ner-for-President campaign with new verses, of their own writing. The song has
eight verses, but only four are printed herewith, as follows:

I
In Texas down by the Rio Grande
There's plenty of work for a good cowhand,
There's milk and honey and hot tamales
And the sweetest bunch of "O by gones."
The sky is wide and high and blue
And you say to strangers "how de do."
There's room to breathe or to bet a stack,
There's the blue bonnet girls and there's
Cactus Jack.

Chorus:
Cactus Jack, he's a-riding straight,
Riding straight for the White House gate.
Don't look away, don't look away,
You can't look away from Texas.

II
We'll tell you this about Cactus Jack:
He's hit the trail and he won't turn back;
He's riding high and he's riding straight,
And he's headed for the White House gate!
From a little hill in Arlone
They'll tell you Jack has never been thrown;
Ki, yi, yippee! Cactus Jack!
He'll hang his hat on the White House rack.

III
We'll tell you this about Cactus Jack:
He's got no time for a fraud nor a quack!
And when you see his spurs and hat,
You know there goes a Democrat!
He can outkick a speck, let tressors ring,
Slap the back of a British king!
Cactus Jack with his larriat,
He's going to rope the White House yet!

IV
We'll tell you this about Cactus Jack:
He's hit the trail and he won't turn back;
He's riding high and he's riding straight,
And he's headed for the White House gate!
From a little hill in Arlone
They'll tell you Jack has never been thrown;
Ki, yi, yippee! Cactus Jack!
He'll hang his hat on the White House rack.

Happy
New Year

WELL, WELL, LOOK WHO'S HERE!



PERSONAL APPEARANCE

What They Got for Christmas:
the FRANK X. VANCES' young son,
"SKIPPER" had his first Christmas
tree and so many presents that he
put them all in his play-pen and
became engrossed in a piece of paper
... GRELL and MOEHRING want
to know if anyone wants a Christmas
tree—this year's model hung with
apples—cheap ... TOMMY HOL-
MIG saw his first snow in Freder-
icksburg and wanted to know "what
that white stuff was coming out of
the sky" ... HORACE SCHWEERS
has a new pet of a live tarantula
which he plans to bequeath to the
high school science department ...
MARY BELLE EMBREY got what
she wanted—a Bandera high school
ring—long before Christmas came
around.

MR. L. J. BRUCKS says hamburg-
ers are quite a comedown after tur-
key but a relief after two days
of the traditional bird.

RUTH McWILLIAMS has joined
the growing ranks of those who pro-
claim "I'll never eat another piece
of fruit cake as long as I live"—
which won't be long after the Christ-
mas stuffing most of us have done.

MRS. R. W. SPEECE, who as
usual has one of the most beautiful
interior decorations in the Christmas
motif, almost had the pleasure in it
destroyed when someone told her her
lovely autumn leaves were poison
ivy!

Up until the cold-snap the nightly
pastime of young and old was to
ride around to discover who had
illuminated Christmas decorations
inside and outside the house ... as
we recall the handles on the basket-
shaped shrubs at the ALFRED
BRUCKS home, the fir tree in the
L. A. STEIGLER garden, the HY-
MERRIMAN doorway, and the Me-
dina Hospital shrubbery were lovely
to behold ... and the W. H. CASES
had a little Santa Claus all lit up—
with the electrical, not liquid form
of Christmas spirit ... something
different is the scene of the Nativity
on the terrace at the A. H.
SCHWEERS home ... and the
courthouse gang moved their Christ-
mas tree from the yard to the bal-
cony just in time to make us out one
of those things ... but in spite of
that blemish to our reputation, we
admit the tree is very effective re-
flected in the windows at the back.

R. L. JENNINGS' nose isn't frost-
bitten ... he's just been doing a lot
of rubbing to show off his new dia-
mond ring from Santa Claus.

FRANK GRAFF got what he
wanted for Christmas ... cold
weather and a chance to make some
sausage.

A Happy New Year everybody—
and I'll hit the next person who re-
minds me it will be Leap Year!

ED BURNETTE BURIED HERE.

Funeral services were conducted
at the Horger funeral chapel here
at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, De-
cember 24, 1939, for Ed Burnette,
61, and interment was made in Oak-
wood cemetery. Pall-bearers were
from Sabinal. Mr. Burnette died
suddenly while on nightwatchman
duty in Sabinal about 2 A. M. Sun-
day morning. Funeral services were
conducted by Rev. I. V. Garrison of
the local Baptist church.

Deceased was a descendant of an
old pioneer Medina County family
and formerly resided in Hondo where
at one time he was deputy sheriff.
He and his family moved to Sabinal
some years ago.

He is survived by his widow, the
former Annie James of Hondo, one
daughter, Mrs. Fannie Fowler; two
sons, Guy and Raymond Burnette, all
of Sabinal; one granddaughter, Shir-
ley Fowler of Sabinal; and one sis-
ter in California.

This paper joins in sympathy for
those who mourn.

NEW WATER TANK IN USE

Among the latest improvements
made here by the railroad company
is the erection of a 120,000-gallon
steel water tank. This tank dis-
places the 50,000-gallon wooden tank
that has done service since Hondo
was made a watering station. It
will be torn down and removed. The
tank has already been placed in ser-
vice, and workmen were giving it the
last finishing touches yesterday.

With this large capacity and the
water-softening equipment in con-
nection therewith the company is
now adequately supplied with water
of the finest possible quality for lo-
comotive boiler use.

GETS THE EVIDENCE

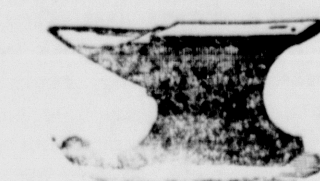
Sheriff Chas. J. Schuehle received
a 400-pound yearling heifer from
Welsh, Oklahoma, one day this week,
shipped to him by express in a crate.
The yearling bears the brand of Mil-
ler Brothers of LaCoste and is one
of several that is alleged to have
been stolen recently, and for which
thief Robert Tondre is being held
pending action of the grand jury.

The animal is wanted as evidence
in the case. It had traveled quite
some distance, changed hands several
times, and was recovered from an
auction pen where it was awaiting
further disposal.

NOTICE

My dental office will be closed for
several days next week, beginning
January 1st, but I will be back on
Saturday, January 6th.

DR. THOS. B. KNOPP.



SPARKS

Being News, Views and Reviews
by the
Managing Editor

THE PRICELESS GIFT OF CHRISTMAS.

Christmas is past!
But may its spirit continue to
last throughout the days that
are to come!
The spirit of Christmas! What
is it?
The spirit of Christmas is the
will to make others happy.
In such a spirit of good-will
selfishness can have no part.
Where no selfishness is there
can be no envy, no jealousy, no
avarice, no retaliation, no vin-
dictiveness!
Rid the heart of this flock of
vultures that prey on human
happiness and you make that
heart the abiding place of per-
fect love.

And "perfect love casteth out
all fear!"
Fear is man's worst enemy
and the thing he has most to
fear!

Obsessed with fear he is a fit
subject to be victimized by any
of the many strategems of evil!

Unafraid, he is many times
armed and shielded against his
own inherent weaknesses and
errors, and the train of many
evils that breed from that
source.

How blessed, then, is the
spirit of Christmas!
Let those possessed of it—its
own most priceless gift—not
let it pass!

ECONOMIC ANEMIA

"The key log of the economic
jam in the stream of American pri-
vate enterprise is taxation," says the
American Taxpayers Association, a
non-partisan organization made up
of public officials, business men and
others with an interest in sound and
sovereign government. "The persist-
ent decline in the American scale of
living since 1929 is due as much to
the hidden hand of taxation as to
any other single cause. One of the
greatest national economies of all
time is suffering from protracted
economic bloodletting. Although a
anemia caused by taxes—a form of
vast portion of our population clings
to the naive belief that the nation
can spend itself into prosperity, they
know that a man cannot drink him-
self sober."

The Association doesn't simply
kick against high taxes—instead it
cites statistics and presents a defi-
nite program looking toward national
fiscal sanity. It advocates a reduc-
tion in the rates of income tax levies
in higher brackets in order to pro-
duce more revenue for government
by releasing for productive purposes
capital now frozen. It advocates the
elimination of spending not neces-
sary for carrying out the true pur-
poses of government as provided by
the constitution, to the end that other
taxes may be reduced and some
eliminated. And it advocates a con-
stitutional amendment placing a
maximum tax limit upon incomes,
gifts and inheritances.

Certainly the average man should
have learned by now that exorbitant
taxes are principally harmful to the
person of modest means. Confisca-
tory taxes don't help a man who
searches for a job that doesn't exist
because capital has been driven in-
to hiding. Nor does it help a widow
whose income from savings or in-
vestments steadily drops. The pro-
gram suggested by the Association
is basically sound—it lays a ground-
work for a more detailed plan that
must be adopted if we are to have
real, as against sporadic, recovery
in this nation.—Industrial News Re-
view.

TOO MUCH FOR BOB

In many New Deal proposals, one
of Roosevelt's ablest advocates has
been young Senator Robert M. La-
Follette of Wisconsin.

But in Roosevelt's scheme to ease
this country into the war on the side
of England and France by repealing
the present neutrality act the two
parted company.

The Senator could "sit in" on the
New Deal, no matter how the cards
were stacked, but Roosevelt's pro-
posal to gamble the peace and safety
of this nation to make himself safe
for a third term, is too much for Bob
"The Deal" is too raw!

In the course of a speech in the
debate over the proposed repeal, the
Senator gave voice to arguments that
should give America pause.

Sen. La Follette declared that RE-
PEAL of the embargo in the present
circumstances and the resulting sale
of arms, ammunition, and implements
of war, WILL CONSTITUTE A SIG-
NIFICANT STEP TOWARD PARTICI-
PATION OF THIS COUNTRY
(Continued on Last Page.)

Hondo School Owls Place Four On All District 37-A

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FROM THE OWL.
From THE OWL of Dec. 20th:
**Homemakers Serve Guests
With Dinner**

The homemaking II class prepared and served a dinner last Thursday evening, Dec. 14, at 7 o'clock in the home economics dining room for the purpose of learning how to entertain. Guests for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Barry, Mr. Edward Rabb, Miss Martha Leila Martin. Acting as host was Mary Frances Van Fleet and as hostess, Novelle Lambert; Geraldine Stiegler and Jonelle Gaines acted as members of the family.

An attractive Christmas scheme of red and green was carried out in the menu and decorations. The centerpiece for the dinner table consisted of a round reflector surrounded by English ivy leaves and green candles. In the center of the reflector was a simulated Christmas tree made of green cellophane straws, topped off with a silver star. Small red and green glass ball intermingled with the ivy leaves and two tall red tapers burned at each end of the table, serving as the only light.

The place cards were miniature Christmas trees made of glassips; they alternated in green and red around the table.

A basket tied with a large red bow and filled with branches of cedar, evergreen sumac, and mistletoe decorated the mantle and hung gracefully over the fireplace, which had an attractive snow scene arranged in miniature in the recess of the hearth.

To the right of the entrance of the department was a small table with a Christmas tree. The tree branches were dipped in soap suds which appeared to be snow. Ornaments for the tree consisted of candy, walnuts and almonds tied in colored cellophane.

The following menu, which was planned, prepared and served by the girls, was served to the guests in three courses:

Christmas Cocktail
Roast Leg of Lamb with Mint Sauce
Green Snap Beans Harvard Beets
Tomato Roses on Lettuce Leaf
Cloverleaf Rolls
Butter
Cream Hot Coffee Sugar
English Plum Pudding with Sauce
—Owlets—

Homemakers Now Toymakers

Third year Homemaking girls are repairing toys for the less fortunate children of the community with the help of the F. F. A. Chapter. The gifts are to be distributed by the girls Friday afternoon before Christmas.

Jo Nell Bader and Roselyn Weber are each repairing a doll. Jo Nell is making a printed housecoat and tiny white oil cloth shoes for her doll. She plans to let some black wool yarn take the place of the hair it used to have. Roselyn is making her doll into a little negro baby by painting it black. She intends to dress it in a striped dress with a red bonnet. Black wool fuzz will be put on it for the hair.

Zelda is repairing a small hatbox with mending tape and various other materials.

Frankie, Ponita, and Gladys are making a doll house from an apple box. They are making the furniture from heavyweight paper and the curtains from materials on hand. The floors will be painted and the walls will be papered.

Eugenia is painting and repairing a doll bed. Emma has brought a tiny car and wagon. She intends to paint the car green and to put the wagon together.

The F. F. A. boys have been very cooperative and the girls appreciate their help.

—Owlets—
CHRISTMAS AMONG THE GRADES

It seems that Santa has already visited the grades when one glances in the rooms. They are all beautifully decorated in keeping with the Christmas season.

The First graders pride themselves with a beautiful tree and a Christmas scene complete with deer, Santa and all on their sand table. The sparkling Santa Claus and tree border of the black board and the wreaths on their doors are very attractive.

The Second Grade has a stocking

The Hondo Owls placed a total of four men on the all-district 37-A team. The players of the district who are placed on the all-district team are chosen by all the coaches in the district. Hartung made the right end position, and showed plenty of pep on end all season. He was in on practically every play on his side of the line this year. Moehring made the right tackle position, and was usually in on all the plays that Hartung was in on. Jennings made the right guard position, and also was voted the most valuable player in the district. He accomplished all this by his fine kicking when the Owls were in danger this season, and his defensive play. Jennings was also a very good blocker on the offense. Finger made the left half position, and as I am writing this column I will not say anything about myself.

The two teams are as follows:

First Team	Pos.	Second Team
Herbst, Del Rio	L. E.	E. Bingham, Eagle Pass
Stool, Del Rio	L. T.	Frazier, Carrizo Springs
Reeves, Cotulla	L. G.	Ramirez, Uvalde
Thompson, Uvalde	C.	Tracy, Del Rio
Jennings, Hondo	R. G.	Jackson, Uvalde
Moehring, Hondo	R. T.	Youngblood, Del Rio
Hartung, Hondo	R. E.	Warren, Carrizo Springs
Moses, Pearsall	Q. B.	*Mullins, Carrizo Springs
Finger, Hondo	H. B.	Leinweber, Hondo
Fowler, Cotulla	H. B.	Watson, Uvalde
Arfman, Del Rio	F. B.	Darnell, Cotulla

*Tied for first place

FAREWELL TO FOOTBALL FOR THESE SENIOR BOYS

To finish up our football write-ups, a small write-up of each Senior football player is brought to you.

Four of our Senior boys made the All-District team and one boy made the Second team and now to the football players:

JENNINGS: Guard who kept the Owls out of trouble by his spectacular punting; his superb blocking and also added a touchdown in his three years of football. On top of being the Owls Co-Captain, Nonnie was an All-District guard and also voted the most valuable player in District 37-A.

KOLLMAN: Line-crasher for the Owls. Harry played fullback and is a three-year letterman. He also scored the only touchdowns in the last two games against Cotulla, when we won the District Championship, and Victoria, a Bi-District tussle.

C. FINGER: A fleet-footed back who ran the opposition crazy with his fancy running. Charley is an All-District back and is a two-year letterman.

EMBREY: Spinner man, who handled the ball for the Owls; passed, ran and blocked as well. Joe played heads up ball all season and is a two-year letterman.

HARTUNG: A 6-foot lad who played right end all season, kicked over half of extra points and also kick-off man. His pass receiving was so outstanding that it earned him a place on the District team.

HOLLOWAY: Played left end and once in a while a backfield position.

and candle decoration on the board. They have a Santa Claus castle with miniature furniture and Santa. It is all covered with snow and decorated with vari-colored gum drops.

Bright red poinsettias on the windows of the Third Grade room give it that warm, seasonal touch. Their board border is candles and Santa Clauses. They have two trees.

The colonial lamps in the Fourth Grade are both original in idea and very beautiful in looks. The letters M-E-R-R-Y C-H-R-I-S-T-M-A-S each encircled by a holly wreath are hung in the rear of the room. An

Richter Elected Captain Of '40 Owls

At the annual football banquet held at the high school, and given for the football boys by the pep squad girls, it was announced that Charles Richter would lead the Owls on to victory during the 1940 season, as captain of the team.

Richter, who lettered for the first time this year, really proved his worth to the team, and should be even much better next year.

Passed some but did more blocking. Always played a nice game. Is a one-year letterman.

MOEHRING: Right tackle who dealt opposition misery by his vicious charging and tackling. Ball carriers usually found a wide hole on Moehring's side of the line. Moehring along with Hartung and Jennings holds down the right side of the District team's line.

LEINWEBER: Back who played the blocking position most of the time and also called signals. Is a 3-year letterman and made the Second All-District team.

GARRISON: Who alternated with both tackle position when ever called upon. Garrison showed up well for his first year. He is a one year letterman.

WILLIAMS: He played center but due to such good performance of Richter he played very little.

DOMINGUEZ: Back, but due to lack of weight and height he did not play much. He is small but very fast.

artistic seasonal border above the board and a tree complete the decorations.

The Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Grades are beautifully decorated also. Each room has a Christmas tree. Perhaps we were a little early and the decorations had not been completed but we saw the Fifth Grade's autumn leaves, the Sixth Grade's moss and icicles, and the Seventh Grade's mistletoe (above the door, too), red and green rope and icicles.

All the grades have drawn names and they will all have their trees and gifts Friday afternoon.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!



Surely Santa will come and visit these industrious scholars and bring them the things they most want. Here's hoping—and a MERRY CHRISTMAS to you all!

—Owlets—
CLUB MEETING

The third meeting of the afternoon first year homemakers was called to order by Rose Marie Finger, vice-chairman, who was taking the place of Mary Adele Bader, chairman, during her absence. The roll call was "Recipes for Christmas Goodies".

There was no old or new business to be discussed. After the roll call Adele Braden, the leader for this meeting took charge. "Christmas Ideas From My Kitchen" was told by Lois Summer. "Clever Ideas for Gift Wrapping" was given by Rose Marie Finger. After the last talk Miss Martin showed the right way to wrap a gift.

—Owlets—
Modern Version

The farmer homeward plods his way Through fields, bereft of lowing kine; Devoid of horses, hogs, or hay; Devoid of flower, fruit, or vine.

His daily blessings, one by one, He counts while dusk falls o'er the land, And also counts as sinks the sun The profits of his roadside stand.

—Owlets—
Not So Good

Little Mildred had just had her first dip in the sea.

"How did you like it, dearie?" asked her mother as she fastened the six-year-old's frock.

"I didn't like it at all, mother," she replied, coldly. "I sat on a wave and went through!"—Tit-Bits.

—Owlets—
They're saying on the Continent that it's a wise child that knows its own fatherland.—Answers.

Start The New Year By supplying yourself And family with Good reading Matter Take advantage Of these Clubs—

Future Farmers Busy With Projects

There were twenty four members of the Hondo Future Farmers of America who had a swine project during the year 1939.

To begin with several Registered Poland China and Duroc Jersey sows were bought from Leo Bohl. Some boys already had swine projects that were carried over from 1938.

There were 15 of the 24 boys who completed their projects and 26,721 pounds of live pork was produced. There were 12 boys who owned Registered sows and 10 who owned Registered gilts. There were 35 pigs fed to 180 pounds or over.

Eight boys raised their own grain, eleven of the boys secured feed from their fathers and five bought grain at harvest time.

Ten boys provided pasturage.

Edgar Saathoff showed five swine at San Antonio and won \$30.00 in premiums.

—Owlets—
Aha!

Employer: "Why hasn't this job been done? It's nearly a month since I told you about it."

Office Boy: "I forgot, sir."

Employer: "Forgot! Suppose I forgot to pay you. What would you say?"

Office Boy: "I should come and tell you immediately, not wait a month before I kicked up a fuss."

—Owlets—
What, No Popcorn?

A survey of 200,000 American boys shows they spend an average of \$39 each year, divided chiefly among the following items: Amusements (mostly movies), \$16.29; ice cream, \$7.64; candy, \$5.46; soft drinks, \$4.73; chewing gum, \$3.07, and peanuts, \$1.61.

THE HOLIDAYS.

Both New Year's Day and Christmas are now legal holidays in the United States. The old custom of making and receiving New Year's calls has almost died out, but where ever the winter climate will permit, New Year's Eve is celebrated with horn blowing, fireworks, and jollity. In some places such as Pasadena, California, a lovely fete of roses is given on January 1, when beautiful processions pass through the gaily decorated streets, while automobiles, carriages, horses, bicycles and "floats" often having historical significance, are trimmed profusely with roses of every hue.

Long ago, in the Puritan colonies all exhibitions of gaiety and happiness were considered sinful and Christmas was not observed. In fact, the stern old Pilgrim Fathers made a law forbidding anyone to celebrate Christmas on pain of arrest and punishment. Nowadays though, times have changed and Christmas is considered the time of year when everyone should be happy and joyful. It is also the time of the year when we should be thoughtful of others and try to make them happy.

—Owlets—
Being Polite

Little Greta came into the kitchen while mother was talking to the milkman. She just stood and stared.

Mother: "Well, Greta, what do you say to the gentleman who brings you your nice milk every day?"

Greta (shaking hands): "I am very glad to meet you. And how is your cow?"—Koralle.

—Owlets—
Aha!

Teacher: "I am going to ask the class what is the best material to make bows of."

Pupils: "Yew wood!"

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() Cloverleaf Review	() Woman's World
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Robert A. Saathoff was a business
caller at this office Tuesday.
Ed H. Seekatz, the Mico merchant,
was a business caller at this office
Friday.
Jack Fitzpatrick of Kingsville is
the holiday guest of Mr. and Mrs. R.
C. Bless.
Miss Gwen Gray was here from
Uvalde over Christmas visiting with
homefolks.
Mr. George Bendele was here from
Hanover, New Mexico, for a Christ-
mas visit with his family and friends.

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A CELEBRITY VISITS UPPER QUIHI SCHOOL

The true Christmas Spirit prevail-
ed last Friday night, when the stu-
dents of Upper Quihi presented a
long and varied program with "the
real Santa Claus" as the feature
guest at the conclusion of the pro-
gram. The "Christmas Welcome"
number was given by Dwight
Schuehle. This was followed by a
lovely dance number, "Twinkle,
Twinkle Little Star", given by eight
small girls assisted by a larger girls'
chorus. Six small boys then gave
their reasons for worshipping the
children's hero in a skit entitled,
"Why I Want to be Like Santa
Claus". By means of a letter drill
a group of children then wished the
audience "A Merry Christmas".
Victor Schweers found that trying
to catch Santa Claus in the act just
can't be accomplished in the "Alarm
Clock Watch". Even Santa Claus
likes unselfish rather than greedy
children as he plainly showed four
little girls and boys in a play titled,
"Christmas Letters".

Students of the higher grades then
presented a humorous play called
"Too Much Borrowing", in which a
bad habit becomes a "pain in the
neck" to the unfortunate victims.
Just to put folks on their guard
against Christmas burglars, the next
play, "Burglar Proof", was present-
ed.

What it took to make a haughty
and wealthy civic-minded woman ap-
preciate Christmas in its fullest
meaning was shown in the three-act
play, "Christmas at Stebbins". The
characters were as follows: Mr. Ray-
mond, Wilfred Schulte; Mrs. Ray-
mond, Eugenia Groff; Mr. Stebbins,
Lester Boehme; Mrs. Stebbins, Effie
Mae Balzen; Grandmother, Leora
Boehme; Hettie, Anna Mae Schweers;
Tom, Huro Wurzbach; Joe, Hilmer
Bendele; Mary, Jerry Mae Schuehle;
and Jake Jarley, Clyde Schuehle.
A final song selection, "Christmas
Eve Song", was given by the entire
student body accompanied by Miss
Annie Brucks at the piano.

—Reporter.

NEW AUTO REGISTRATIONS
Dec. 22, R. W. Gaines, Hondo,
Chevrolet sedan.
Dec. 22, V. H. Montgomery, Hon-
do, Ford 4-door.

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Oscar Schuchart of San Antonio
was a guest in the Robert Haegelin
home Christmas Eve.

For Hemstitching see Mrs. R. W.
Speece, at residence opposite north-
west corner of courthouse. ^{tf}

Miss Dorothy Burgin of Uvalde is
the guest of her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. J. H. Burgin, this week.

Hugh Meyer, University of Texas
student, is the guest of his parents,
Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Meyer, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown and baby
of San Antonio spent Christmas with
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ney.

Miss Thelma Lynch of Crystal
City is spending the week here with
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H.
Lynch.

Clinton Jagge of St. Mary's Uni-
versity of San Antonio is the holiday
guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P.
C. Jagge.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo F. Laake and
daughter, Kay Frances, spent the
Christmas holidays with relatives in
San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Mechler and
daughter, Glenrose, and Amy and
Betty Meyer were San Antonio visi-
tors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Koch of San
Antonio were guests of her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Armin Bendele, Sr. and
other relatives last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Whitehead and
children of San Antonio spent
Christmas here with her mother,
Mrs. Toby Sauter, and other rela-
tives.

Miss Susie Muennink, who is a stu-
dent nurse at the M. & S. Hospital
in San Antonio, spent Christmas
with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G.
Muennink.

Mr. and Mrs. August Finger and
son, Marc, of San Antonio spent
Christmas here with their parents,
Mrs. Isaac Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs.
J. M. Finger.

Martin Noonan arrived home last
week from the University of Texas,
Austin, for a holiday visit with his
parents, District Attorney and Mrs.
A. J. Noonan.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wiede of
Lockhart spent Sunday here with her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Gaines,
and Monday in San Antonio with her
sister, Mrs. Una English, and sons.

Judge Arthur H. Rothe and daugh-
ter, Miss Laurinda Rothe, and son,
Ferd Louis, were Christmas guests of
Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Twomey in
San Antonio. Ferd Louis is on holi-
day from St. Mary's University.

HOUSE MOVING—NONE TOO
SMALL OR TOO LARGE. SEE V.
W. HAYDEN, 2 MILES NORTH OF
LYTLE ON LYTLE-LA COSTE
RD., OR OFIS SHADDEN, 1
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Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J.
G. Mechler Tuesday night were Mr.
Cohran Ketner of Lubbock, Mr. J.
E. Ketner of Morlin, Arkansas, and
Miss Jean Ketner and Mr. Herbert
Huegele of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Mechler had as
their guests on Christmas Day Mr.
and Mrs. John Zuercher and son,
John Lloyd, and Mr. and Mrs.
George Zuercher of LaCoste, and
Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Meyer and
daughters of Dunlay.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hollmig and
children, Stanley, Jacqueline and
Tommy, spent Sunday and Monday
with relatives in Fredericksburg,
where snow and sleet fell most of
the duration of their visit. Stanley
and his sister stayed for the remain-
der of the week.

Guests of Mrs. Una English and
sons in San Antonio Christmas Day
were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R.
Gaines, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gaines
and daughter, Jonell, and Mr. and
Mrs. Clinton Taylor, of Hondo, and
Sergt. and Mrs. G. W. Kellams and
daughters of Randolph Field.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. C.
Larnes during the holidays were Miss
Evelyn Barnes of Lockhart, and her
friends, Miss Margaret Winter of
San Antonio and Miss Luvinia Bloss
of South Pittsburg, Tenn., and Mr.
and Mrs. John Earl Barden and lit-
tle son, Jimmie, of Houston.

GRANDDAUGHTER TO WED

Judge and Mrs. Ed de Montel
and other relatives here have receiv-
ed word of the engagement and ap-
proaching marriage of the former's
granddaughter, Miss Helen Adele de
Montel of Wichita Falls. The fol-
lowing announcement, accompanied
by an attractive picture of the bride-
to-be, was published in December 24
issue of the Wichita Falls Daily
Times. Miss de Montel has visited
her grandparents here on frequent
occasions and has numerous friends
here among the young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Charles de
Montel have announced the engage-
ment of their daughter, Helen Adele,
to James Robert Parkey Jr., of
Mankins, son of Mr. and Mrs. James
Robert Parkey, prominent residents
of that community. The wedding is
to take place at twilight Monday,
Jan. 1.

The nuptial vows are to be ex-
changed at the Church of the Good
Shepherd (Episcopal), with Dr. C.
A. Beesley, the pastor, officiating.

For maid of honor, the bride-elect
has chosen her sister, Miss Annie de
Montel. Bridesmaids are to be Misses
Miriam Collard of this city and
Grace Faltin of Comfort. Frank Lee
is to be best man for the groom, and
ushers have been named to include
Robert Priddy, Billy Stayton, Billy
Neal, all of Wichita Falls and Guy
Witt of Dallas.

Miss de Montel is a graduate of
the Wichita Falls High school and
attended Randolph-Macon college in
Lynchburg, Va., where she was a
member of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

The groom-elect is a graduate of
Kemper Military academy in Boon-
ville, Mo., and of Washington and
Lee university in Lexington, Ky. He
is a member of Kappa Sigma frater-
nity. At the present time, Mr. Par-
key is engaged in the ranching busi-
ness with his father.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS!

Notice is hereby given that I will
be at the following named places on
dates given below for the purpose of
collecting 1939 taxes, and assessing
for the year 1940.

Medina Lake, January 2, 9 A. M.
to 11 A. M.

Cliff, January 2, 1 P. M. to 3 P. M.
Rio Medina, January 3, 9 A. M. to
4 P. M.

LaCoste, January 4, 8 A. M. to 4
P. M.

LaCoste, January 5, 8 A. M. to
12 M.

Dunlay, January 5, 2 P. M. to 4 P.
M.

Castroville, January 8th, 9th and
10th, 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Biry, January 11, 9 A. M. to 11 A.
M.

Coal Mine, January 11, 1 P. M. to
3 P. M.

Natalia, January 12, 9 A. M. to 4
P. M.

Devine, January 15th, 16th and
17th, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

D'Hanis, January 18, 8 A. M. to
5 P. M.

Respectfully,

L. E. HEATH,
Assessor and Collector
of Texas, Medina County.

NOTICE BY EXECUTRIX

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Medina.
To Those Indebted to or Holding
Claims against the Estate of Clyde
Holloway, Deceased:

The undersigned, having been duly
appointed executrix of the estate of
Clyde Holloway, deceased, by Hon.
Arthur H. Rothe, Judge of the Coun-
ty Court of Medina County, Texas,
on the 27th day of December, A. D.
1939, and having duly qualified as
such, hereby notifies all persons in-
debted to said estate to come for-
ward and make settlement, and those
having claims against said estate to
present them to her within the time
prescribed by law at her residence
in Hondo, Medina County, Texas,
where she receives her mail.

This 27th day of December, A. D.
1939.

LUCILLE BURDEN,
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Fritz Stiegler was a business visi-
tor at this office Tuesday.

Fruits and canines of all kinds, at
CARLE'S CONFECTIONERY. ^{tf}

Flowers for all occasions. Order
from ROTHE'S CONFECTIONERY.

DR. TAYLOR, DENTIST, OF-
FICE AT RESIDENCE (1 block E.
of courthouse), PHONE 39.

Mrs. R. B. Reynolds and son,
Thomas, spent Wednesday in Sabinal
as guests of her sister, Mrs. W. O.
Shae.

Anthony Jungman of the Universi-
ty of Texas is the holiday guest of
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Jung-
man.

Walter and Roland Nester, of Tex-
as A. and M. College, are the holiday
guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs.
W. J. Nester.

Cooper's Cattle Dip, testing fluid
and tablets, Cutter Blacklegol Vac-
cine—Large supply at WINDROW
DRUG STORE. ^{tf}

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schweers and
son, Leo Jr., of Del Rio were guests
of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Jungman and
other relatives here Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Roberts and
daughter, Jeanette Pierce, of San
Antonio spent Christmas here with
Mrs. Roberts' parents, Mr. and Mrs.
A. B. Brucks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ney have as their
holiday guests their children, Patricia
of Incarnate Word College, San An-
tonio, and Edmund of the University
of Texas, Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fohn and fam-
ily had as their Christmas guests
their son, James Fohn of San Anto-
nio and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fohn
of Port Lavaca, Texas. They return-
ed Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wiemers, Mr.
and Mrs. Clifford Stiegler and Mr.
and Mrs. Roy Rosen, all of San An-
tonio, were here over Christmas vis-
iting their parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Fritz Stiegler.

Mrs. Nic Haby was a business call-
er at this office Friday of last week,
and changed the address of her paper
from Riomedina to Mico Star route.
She was accompanied by Mr. and
Mrs. F. G. Carle.

Mrs. Mae Heard and son, Odell
Earnest, and Louis Collett of San
Antonio, and Mrs. Heard's older son,
Dallas Earnest, of Dallas, Texas,
visited her uncle, Mr. Fletcher Davis,
and family here Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Leo Batot was a business call-
er Saturday and moved up his dates
for both the Anvil Herald and Farm-
ing another year. Mr. Batot notes
that his oats are not thriving not-
withstanding moisture is plentiful in
the soil.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Reynolds had
as their guests during the holidays
Misses Corinne and Elizabeth Rey-
nolds and Mary Jane Bender, Mr.
and Mrs. T. E. Woodrome and Mr.
Joe Reynolds, all of San Antonio,
and Thomas Reynolds of Austin.

R. I. (Bob) Deckert, an employe
of the State Liquor Enforcement
Board, was here from Houston over
the holidays, visiting his mother at
D'Hanis, and other relatives there
and in Hondo. Mr. Deckert has been
in his present employment for some
time, and is making good.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bohmfalk and
son, Rothwell, returned Tuesday
from Houston where they spent the
long week-end of Christmas with re-
latives and friends. Sunday afternoon
they visited friends at their former
home near Alvin, and brought back
with them some of the oranges
grown in that section.

Messrs. A. L. Kriewald and Chas.
Halty of LaCoste and Ed. Seekatz of
Mico were here Tuesday for the
hearing on the proposed bond elec-
tion in Road District 2 before the
Commissioners' Court. The Court
set February 3rd as the date for
holding the election, and the amount
of bonds asked for is \$60,000.00.

County Attorney and Mrs. Frank
X. Vance and little son, Albert
James, had as their guests on Christ-
mas Day Mr. Vance's mother, Mrs.
Constance Vance, and his sister and
brothers, Miss Gertrude Vance,
John and Albert Vance of Devine,
and Tom Vance of San Antonio, and
Mrs. Vance's parents, Major and
Mrs. Albert Lobitz, of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Neuman and
daughter, Lorine, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin
Neuman and sons, John Henry, Wil-
liam Hale and Wilbert Lee, of Hon-
do, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Neuman of
Yancey, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Neuman
and son, Wesley Earl, from Tarpley,
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bayer and son,
Bobby Jack, of San Antonio, and
Elmer Neuman of Garner Park were
guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schneid-
er on Christmas Day.

Cards from Mrs. Karl Brown
Schilling of Sardin, Miss., tell of en-
joying a real Eastern Christmas.
She and Captain Schilling and their
daughter, Shirley, are visiting his
brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and
Mrs. Walter V. Reisinger in Fair-
field, Conn. En route they stopped
in Washington, D. C. and Fort Bel-
voir to visit friends and in Fort
Slocum, New York, where they vis-
ited Mrs. Schilling's sister, Mrs. E.
V. Behan, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston C. Gaines
and daughter, Gladys Bohlen, from
here and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bradley
and little son, Skippy, of San An-
tonio were guests of Mr. and Mrs.
Harry Heyen in New Braunfels
Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Fly had as
their holiday guests their children,
Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Fly and family
of Crystal City, Mr. and Mrs. R. C.
Barton and children of Buda, and
Mr. and Mrs. Graham Rodgers of
Crystal City.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Schweers
spent the week-end in Houston as
guests of her mother, Mrs. J. E.
Koch. Enroute home Monday they
had Christmas dinner in New Braun-
fels with Mr. Schweers' brother-in-
law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry
Heyen and family.

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FRIDAY - SATURDAY

December 29th-30th
GENE AUTRY
SMILEY BURNETTE
in—

"Mountain
Rhythm"
Bad men bite the dust as Gene Au-
try sweeps through the range.

Also New Episode of

"Dick Tracy's G-Men"
And a Short Subject

"GOLDIE LOCKS AND THE
THREE BEARS"

SUNDAY - MONDAY

December 31st-January 1st.
RICHARD GREENE
RICHARD DIX
GLADYS GEORGE
in—

"Here I Am A
Stranger"
He was a modern knight in shining
armor... tarnished by a world that
had no use for yesterday's glory.

Also Short Subject
"GOLDEN WEST"

TUESDAY - WEDNES-
DAY - THURSDAY

January 2nd-3rd-4th

ALICE FAYE
DON AMECHE
STUART ERWIN
in—

"Hollywood
Cavalcade"
Out of Hollywood historical, hysteri-
cal yesterdays come the greatest
screen thrills of today.

Also Short Subject
"EVERGREEN EMPIRE"
And a Paramount News Reel

SHOW NOW STARTS AT
7:30 P. M.

THE RAYE

My house near the school house
will be for rent after January first
1940. C. F. HAASS. ^{2tpd}

Miss Fern Ulbrich, University of
Texas co-ed, is the holiday guest of
her mother, Mrs. J. W. Ulbrich.

Elmo Pope, Texas Aggie, is here
from College Station spending the
holidays with his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. E. G. Pope.

Benny Oeffinger of the College of
Arts and Industries, Kingsville, is
spending the holidays with his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Oeffinger.

Miss Bonnie Jack Cameron, stu-
dent of Temple Junior College, is the
holiday guest of her mother, Mrs.
Ed Cameron, and brother, Bobbie.

Misses Lela Grace, Jo and Kath-
leen Reilly, of S. W. T. S. T. C. of
San Marcos, are the holiday guests
of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J.
Reilly.

Clinton Grell, University of Texas
student, is among the college and
home for the holidays as the
guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.
B. Grell.

Mrs. George Bohmfalk and son,
Milton, spent Christmas in Houston
with her mother, Mrs. J. F. Koch.
Milton remained in Houston where
he is employed.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Mullen of
Galveston and John Zerr of Texas A.
and M. College are Christmas holi-
day guests of their parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Robert Zerr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Fly had as
their holiday guests their children,
Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Fly and family
of Crystal City, Mr. and Mrs. R. C.
Barton and children of Buda, and
Mr. and Mrs. Graham Rodgers of
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Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Robertson
and Rev. and Mrs. H. M. King of San
Antonio were here for Christmas
with the ladies' mother, Mrs. Elia
Wells, and family.

Miss LaVerne Ulbrich is spending
Christmas week here with her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ulbrich. La-
Verne is in training at the Sealey
Hospital in Galveston.

The many Hondo friends of Mr.
and Mrs. Paul Renken and family
are glad to welcome them back into
their midst after a sojourn of a year
in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Wurzbach and
children of Cliff and Mr. Joe
Hagelin of George West were
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L. Haegelin, over Christmas.

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Mr. and Mrs. George R. Carle and
Robert David Windrow spent Christ-
mas Day in Cotulla as guests of
their brother-in-law and sister, Mr.
and Mrs. Murray Stephenson and ba-
by son.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson and
daughter, Arden, of Seagraves,
Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. George
Isaac Wilson of Corpus Christi are
guests of their mother, Mrs. Isaac
Wilson.

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stract Company. tf

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Brucks have as
their guests this week Mr. and Mrs.
J. R. Eichenroht and Mr. H. B. Hu-
bert of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs.
J. Bader of LaCrosse, and Miss
Josephine Brucks of Buffalo, Texas.

Misses Amy and Betty Meyer,
young daughters of Mr. and Mrs.
Harry Meyer, of Dunlay, are the
holiday guests of Miss Glenrose
Fehler, at the home of the latter's
parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Mechler.

Holiday guests of Judge and Mrs.
H. Fly were their children, Misses
Lettie and Etta Fly of San Antonio,
and Mrs. Stewart Clendennin
and daughters of Houston, and Mr.
and Mrs. Sidney Fly of Nachitoches,
Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Hanna and
son, John, left Thursday for their
home in College Station after sev-
eral days' visit here with Mr. and
Mrs. Hanna's son-in-law and daugh-
ter, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Meyer, and
little son, Parker Henry.

E. D. Wiemers was here Tuesday,
visiting his brother, Theo. G. Wiem-
ers, who is still in the hospital be-
cause of burns. While in Hondo
Mr. Wiemers, whose home is in
San Antonio, favored the print-
ers with an appreciated call.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fulton and
daughter, Nelwyn, spent Christmas
here with Mrs. Fulton's parents, Mr.
and Mrs. C. C. Rogers. Mr. and Mrs.
Rogers accompanied them to San
Antonio Wednesday from where,
after a visit to Clinton Rogers and
family, they returned home.

Mrs. Ed Cameron was hostess to
the Ladies' Bridge Club Tuesday af-
ternoon entertaining two tables of
players. High score prize was won
by Mrs. J. M. Finger, who also re-
ceived a gift for the only slam bid
made, and Mrs. A. L. Janszen the
most prize. Evergreens, red berries
and a Christmas tree were used in
decoration of the rooms, and under
the tree each guest found an individ-
ual gift. Refreshments of doughnuts
and coffee were served to the fol-
lowing: Mesdames Ed Koch, A. H.
W. L. E. Heath, L. J. Brucks, J. M.
Schweers, A. L. Janszen, O. B. Tay-
loring, Fletcher Davis, and Ed
Cameron.

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A. J. Cook underwent a tonsilec-
tomy at Medina Hospital on Decem-
ber 27th.

Burleigh Smith of Austin is the
holiday guest of his parents, Dr. and
Mrs. W. H. Smith.

Miss Alma Geiger of Boerne had
her tonsils taken out December 27
at Medina Hospital.

If your name isn't among the per-
sonal items of this paper DO SOME-
THING ABOUT IT!

Mrs. P. Jungmaas returned Thurs-
day from Houston where she spent
several days with relatives.

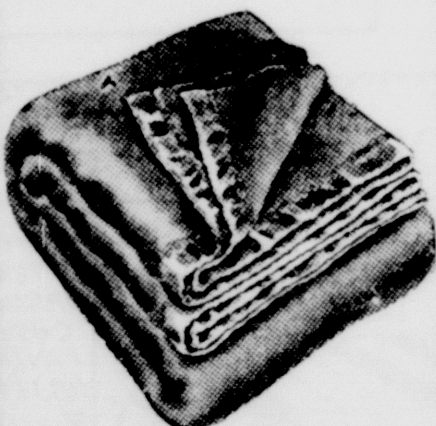
Lloyd and Richard Hardt of Yan-
cey had their tonsils removed at Me-
dina Hospital on the 18th.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gilliam and
three daughters came in Wednesday
from Corpus Christi for a visit with
homefolks here.

Mr. L. F. Rucker is recovering
from an appendix operation per-
formed Saturday night, December
23rd, at Medina Hospital.

Mrs. George Heyen was brought
to Medina Hospital on December 26
for medical treatment. While not
seriously ill, her advanced age make
expert care a necessity.

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LITTLE MAN WHAT NOW?



Gladioli growers, who generally
have little fear in the way of insects
and disease, had better beware of the
gladiolus thrip, which has spread with
great rapidity in practically all states
where gladioli are common, says R.
R. Reppert, Entomologist for the A.
and M. College Extension Service.
The adult thrip is dark brown and
measures about one-twentieth of an
inch in length, while the wings have
a light colored area at their base near
the center of the body. The thrip's
larva is pale yellow and the pupa is
orange. Generally these last two
stages are found inside the buds and
leaf sheaths, and are seldom notice-
able on the outside of the plant.
Gladioli attacked by the thrip have
the appearance of being withered.

bleached, and spotted; the plants are
stunted; and badly damaged flowers
fail to open. Even when the petals
are open, irregular, silvery blotches
may appear on them. To prevent
damage by the thrip use a spray de-
veloped by the U. S. Bureau of En-
tomology. It includes tartar emetic,
one ounce; brown sugar, four
ounces; and water, 12 1-2 pints. The
plants should be sprayed thoroughly
with this solution. Several other
plants which have been damaged to a
minor extent by the gladiolus thrip
include the iris, calla lily, red-hot-
poker, tiger flower, montbretian, and
carnation, Reppert added.

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CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT SECO SCHOOL

The Seco School closed for the
holidays following a delightful
Christmas program at the school on
Thursday night, December 21st. The
opening number was a violin selec-
tion by Leroy Lutz. The "Scene of
the Nativity" was presented by Wan-
da Fay Van Fleet, Jean Rothe, Mar-
garet Anne Rothe, John Alton Van
Fleet, Elton Lutz, Mary Dee Bendele,
Dorothy Rothe, Beatrice Ney, Joan
Ney, Mary Lee Lutz, Ruth Van
Fleet, Leroy Lutz, James Lutz and
Edward Weynand.

A piano number was played by
Mrs. W. J. Clements, preceding the
one-act play, "Mimi Lights the Can-
dle", which was the closing number
on the program. The cast included
Marie Weynand, Evelyn Lutz, Melba
Rose Lutz, Jeanice Poerner, Fritzie
Bendele, Dorothy Mae Lutz, Inell
Poerner and Audrey Wilson.

Gifts were distributed by Santa
Claus assisted by Mr. Ed Weynand
and Mr. Herman Poerner.

CEMETERY MEETING

A meeting of all subscribers to
the Capital Stock and of all Owners
of Lots in the Hondo Public Ceme-
tery is called to meet at the court-
house, Hondo, Texas, on Saturday
afternoon, January 6th, 1940, at
2 o'clock P. M. You are requested
to attend.

By order of the Board of Direc-
tors.

H. E. HAASS,
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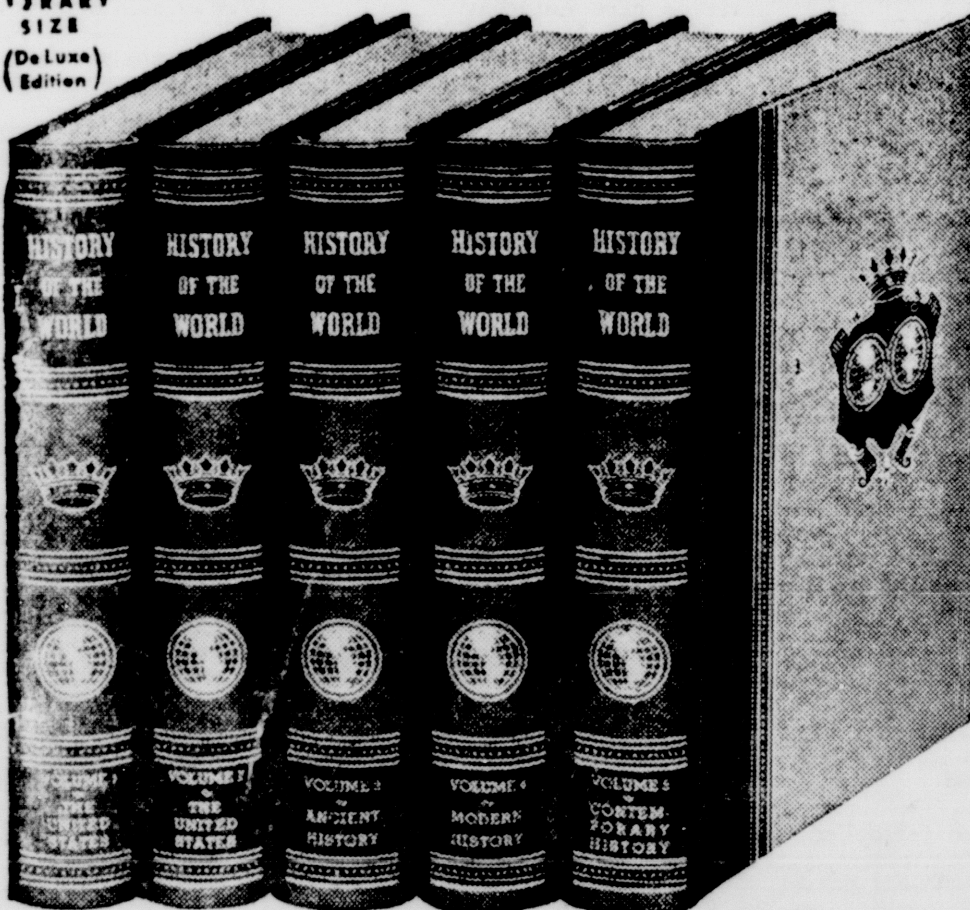
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DEVINE NEWSLETS.

The Devine News REPORT WORK COMPLETED ON MEDINA CANALS

Work has been completed and accepted on the rehabilitation of the canal system of the Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties Water Improvement District No. 1 in Medina County in the vicinity of Castroville, Texas.

This project was made possible thru the issuance of bonds by the District to pay their pro-rata share of the cost of the work and were purchased by the R.F.C., an agency of the Federal Government. The Public Works Administration appreciating the necessity and value of the work to the community contributed 45 per cent of the entire cost of the project, reviewed and approved the design, plans and specifications and supervised the construction of the work.

The work involved consisted of the replacement of the existing flume at Number 11 with a diversion canal; the old structure at flume 7, 4 and 3 were replaced with 8 foot concrete siphons of permanent construction and designed to carry the present flow of the canal as well as any probable future demands. These siphons have an approximate head of 160 feet and are among the largest in the nation.

The preliminary work consisting of clearing and grubbing was let to a local contractor; the canal excavation, concrete work and incidental work pertaining thereto were let to the McGinnis Brothers of Houston, Texas, they being the low bidders of eight firms bidding on the work. The amount expended for materials aggregated \$53,000 consisting of lumber, sand, gravel, cement and reinforced steel was purchased locally; the labor involving over 90,000 man hours was furnished by the Castroville office of The Texas Employment Service from the Relief Rolls of the counties involved in the project, and all labor with the exception of the skilled operators of Drag-lines were local men; the amount expended for labor was over \$55,000.00 and every able-bodied, idle man in the district was offered employment. It is interesting to note that despite the hazardous nature of the work not a single serious accident occurred on the entire job, this speaks well for the General Contractor in safeguarding his men.

The total cost of work was \$150,000.00 of which the District pays \$82,500 and the Public Works Administration \$67,500.00.

Credit should be given the Board of Directors, consisting of the following members: H. Allie Ball, James W. Heath, T. J. Williams, A. V. Cooper, H. Riely and W. L. Mitchell for their foresight in realizing the urgent necessity of this work and their cooperation in taking advantage of opportunity in securing Government Aid for such a large percentage of the cost thereby saving the District the amount donated by the Federal Government; the old system being on the verge of collapse thereby rendering the system valueless. Credit also should be given Mr. Walter H. Lilly for his comprehensive and economical design and to McGinnis Brothers for their faithful execution of their contract; also to the Public Works Administration for their financial cooperation which made the work possible.

Judge Hugh R. Robertson of San Antonio was legal advisor and attorney for the District; P. C. Hodson and J. G. Jeffrey were field inspectors and Randolph Harrison represented the Public Works Administration.

YANCEY

Christmas holiday season has arrived; the Juniors gave a play Saturday evening, which was well rendered and well attended.

On Sunday evening the Yancey Choir presented the Christmas Cantata at the Methodist church; under direction of Glenn Faselier; there were twenty-seven members taking part in the Cantata.

Rev. Williams of Moore served his congregation here Sunday morning by bringing the Christmas message.

Mrs. Luella Ward was in Uvalde Friday accompanying the District Director of the W.P.A. project here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burgin who had been in Pecos County for about 4 months, stopped over for a day with us while enroute to League City.

Last Thursday a goodly crowd of the members of the Methodist church assembled for a meeting that was given to arrange programs for this year's church business. Supt. J. J. Mason of Uvalde was present, also Rev. Gibbons of Pearsall and Rev. W. B. Wheeler of Pearsall, delegates accompanied the pastors were present. At 6 P. M. supper was served at the tabernacle. Mr. John Buchanan brought his band to the church at 7:30 and gave several musical sacred selections, after which religious services were observed.

Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham of Moore attended church here Sunday evening.

Mr. Andrew Zender is improving after a near accident about ten days ago. When he stepped from behind a car, and came in contact with an oncoming car. Fortunately the car was going at a slow speed; or it might have proved serious.

BIRY

Mr. Frank Bilhartz and son from San Antonio spent the week-end with Mr. Ed Bader and family.

Mrs. D. H. Carl spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Bonner Carl at Luling.

Mr. and Mrs. William Breiten Jr., are rejoicing over the arrival of a

son, which came to gladden their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Senne and children of D'Hanis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bilhartz.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Tschirhart and daughter and husband of LaCoste, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Biry.

REMAINS PIONEER LADY INTERRED HERE TUESDAY

Mrs. Mattie Kercheville, 75, died in San Antonio, Sunday and the remains were brought here for burial Tuesday morning with services at the Rodas Chapel, conducted by Rev. L. R. Coeheim. She is survived by her two sons, J. Ira Kercheville, City Attorney of San Antonio, Gus Clyde Kercheville of Del Rio, and several grand children. Deceased resided with her husband and family in Devine for thirty-five years, conducting a millinery business most of the time. Her husband who died nineteen years ago, J. A. Kercheville, was postmaster under Wilson's administration, passing away about the close of the official term. Deceased has resided in San Antonio for nineteen years. Many old friends gathered at the chapel with friends and relatives from a distance. The floral offerings were large and beautiful. The pall bearers were: D. M. Howard, G. D. Whitfield, J. C. Rodas, J. L. Tilley, J. T. Lilly and C. R. Thompson.

YOUR BIRTHDAY

There's your birthday . . . at birth When the stork dropped you to earth, You're your mother's and your daddy's

Pride and joy . . . Then at one you toddle 'round Get in everything that's found, And most neighbors and your family You annoy.

About two you learn to talk . . . and You make them walk the chalk, They laugh and quote you everything You say.

After that you're in the way And most time sent off to play, Then comes the time you show them That you balk.

So you go on to three and four, Five and six and seven and eight, Every year they add another little candle

To your cake. But when you have reached the top You insist it's time to stop . . . you Have lost all taste for such as Birthday cake.

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LA COSTE LEDGERITES.

The La Coste Ledger

The LaCoste Ledger

Misses Marie Christilles, Florence Obets, Bernice Keller, Faustina Christilles and Doris Rihn visited in San Antonio Saturday evening.

Miss Hattie Bippert from the Sauz visited in LaCoste Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hutzler and children from Del Rio visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hutzler here Sunday.

Wednesday evening, December 20, Miss Meldred Keller entertained the faculty of LaCoste High School and several friends with a Christmas party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Keller. One of the most interesting events was a scavenger hunt in which all participated. At midnight a delicious lunch was served. The decorations throughout the house were suggestive of the Christmas spirit. The guests were Superintendent and Mrs. Bader, Principal and Mrs. R. H. Brookshire, Coach Ray Tripp, Misses Dorothy Benke, LaVerne Parton, Geraldine Hansen, Helen Conrad, Doris Bippert and Faustina Christilles; Messrs. Henry Allen Springfield, W. B. Vincent and Vincent Keller, all of LaCoste, and Tom Holloway, Arthur Dale and Leroy Crow of Hondo.

Herbert Tondre and Reverend A. H. Falkenberg of Castroville were business visitors in LaCoste Friday.

Mrs. George Echtle and daughter, Miss Marie, and sons, Henry and Francis, were San Antonio visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Caroline McIlavane and daughters, Miss Eulah and Grace, and Miss Agnes Scherrer of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. Phil A. Scherrer from the Sauz visited with relatives here Sunday.

ONE INJURED IN CAR ACCIDENT FRIDAY

Henry Zinsmeyer was injured Friday night when the car in which he and Edward Biediger, both of LaCoste, were riding, turning over. The accident occurred on LaCoste-Macdonald road.

The car was badly damaged. Biediger wasn't injured but Zinsmeyer is under the doctor's care. He was quite ill for several days but is now recovering rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Biediger of Spindletop visited in LaCoste Thursday morning.

Wm. Itlis from Delta was a LaCoste visitor Tuesday.

Emil C. Bippert of Castroville was a LaCoste visitor Saturday.

Erwin J. Conrad was a business visitor here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Mangold of Cliff visited here Sunday.

Robert Boehme and son of Rio Medina visited in LaCoste Saturday.

Mrs. Ted Ebest and baby daughter, Barbara, Miss Beatrice Norberry and Ed Norberry of San Antonio were the guests of Miss Faustina Christilles here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Conrad and children from near Devine visited in LaCoste Monday.

J. B. Rihn of San Antonio visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rihn here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Burke and Frank Neumann from Midway were LaCoste visitors Saturday.

Wm. Tschirhart from the Sauz was a LaCoste visitor Monday morning.

Mrs. Minnie Trawalter and her nephew, George Barker, of Atascosa visited in LaCoste Sunday.

Frank Zeinert of Macdonald was a business visitor in LaCoste Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Otto of Castroville were LaCoste visitors Wednesday morning.

Frank William Graff spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graff at Hondo.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Haby from Spindletop visited in LaCoste Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Loessberg from Macdonald were LaCoste visitors Tuesday.

Misses Olivia Salzman and Mildred Keller and W. B. Vincent of LaCoste were San Antonio visitors Monday.

Mrs. L. Otto and daughter, Christina, of Castroville were LaCoste business visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Rihn and children moved to LaCoste the past week into the old Reichert home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jungman and Mr. and Mrs. Ed J. Trip of Macdonald were LaCoste visitors Sunday evening.

Miss Clarissa Zinsmeyer of San Antonio spent Sunday and Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Zinsmeyer, here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hacker and children and Arthur H. Biediger of San Antonio visited in LaCoste Sunday.

day. Mrs. Robt. Rihn visited with Mrs. J. H. Steidle and daughters, Naomi and Ellyn, at Dunlay Tuesday.

Messrs. George Echtle and sons, Anthony, Bernard and George Jr., and Adolph Zinsmeyer and son, Edwin, were in the Diversion Dam vicinity Wednesday morning where they got cedar trees for the crib in St. Mary's Church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cobb and Mr. and Mrs. James Lundy and daughter, Marian, of San Antonio visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rihn and son here Sunday.

BATTERY MANAGEMENT OF POULTRY.

By V. M. Couch.

The activity of the hens, thriftiness, daily egg yield goes to show that the birds are healthy, vigorous and contented, which are kept here at the college in this way. They realize no difference if raised in the wire cages from the time they are hatched and never allowed to range at liberty.

The advantage in this way lies mainly in the control, all hens having the same air and temperature and an equal chance to eat and drink, and besides this, the sanitary conditions are easy to handle. The wire cages are of such size and shape as to give the birds plenty of room to move about, so that after a very short time they are apparently contented and do not seem to miss their liberty. Experiments have been made and it has been found that the production of the birds confined, compare favorably with the hens that have a free run.

Raising chicks and keeping hens under the battery system in the South, however, is quite a different proposition from that in the North. Here the problem is to keep the stock comfortably warm for six months of the year, while in the warm climate the question is how to keep the birds cool for this length of time or longer.

Tests have been made with birds in confinement to learn the actual protein requirements of food in egg production. Protein in different amounts have been fed; to one lot a 14 per cent mixture, to another 16 per cent, 18 and 20 per cent mixture of protein feed. The results so far obtained go to show that to have good steady growth, for the first month or six weeks, the chick ration should contain 19 to 20 per cent protein. From this age up to about three months, 17 to 18 per cent, and from this time on a ration of 15 to 16 per cent protein has been found to give good results.

Census figures indicate that 121,000 or 24.2 per cent of Texas farms have no milk cows; 75,127 or 15 per cent have no poultry; 215,317 or 42.9 per cent have no gardens; and 418,796 or 83.5 per cent have no orchards.

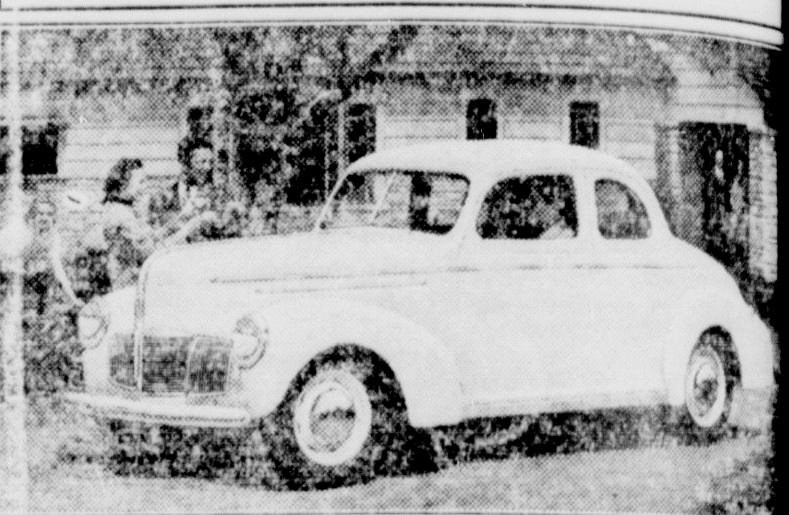
Because you lack a noble and successful past, is no real reason why you should lack a noble and successful future.—Thomas Dreier.

The feed crop situation in Texas was not so favorable on October 1 as it was a month earlier. Grain sorghum prospects declined sharply during the month as the result of droughty conditions in the important northwest area. The total grain sorghum crop in the State is forecast at 40,963,000 bushels, compared with 46,951,000 bushels produced last year and average production in the 10-year period of 47,741,000 bushels. The time hay crop is now estimated at 940,000 tons, which is slightly below the forecast of a month ago,

and compares with 1,012,000 tons produced in 1938. The bulk of the State corn crop matured before the September drought, and the October forecast of 80,355,000 bushels is the same as that of a month ago. It is compared with 75,648,000 bushels produced last year.

Idle wonder: Under how many ads does a restaurant lettuce have to serve before it's eligible for old age security?—Scanlan in Butte Evening News.

Economy Champion in 1940 Raiment



The Studebaker Champion Coupe for 1940, which has just made its bow in local motor circles. The Champion, a new car for a new era because of its lack of excess, inefficient weight, was able to establish record brilliant endurance and economy records during the summer of 1939. Auxiliary "opera" seats provide room for two additional passengers.

THE PRICE OF RECKLESS PASSING COMES HIGH!

(Passing cars on the hill or without sufficient clearance caused 86 deaths in Texas last year in 72 accidents.)



OUR PUZZLE CORNER

GOOFYGRAPH

Can you see TEN GOOFY THINGS in this picture?

HERE IS ALPHABETIC'S DARING DOG-CATCHER... FIND 10 "D" OBJECTS IN THIS SCENE...

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FILL IN THE MISSING LETTERS TO FORM THE WORDS...

JIMMY FELL ASLEEP ON THE BEACH BUT HE SAID HE DIDN'T DREAM THIS... DRAW A LINE FROM 1 TO 34

LITTLE BUDDY

SUBSCRIBE FOR THIS PAPER AND KEEP UP WITH LITTLE BUDDY





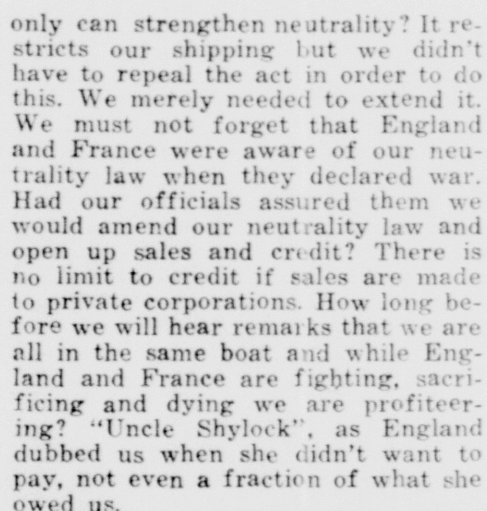
FARMING

By Fred W. Davis

Had our neutrality act been amended so as to open up trade with the belligerents of these wars the beneficiaries would have been the ones we did not favor, viz: Italy, Franco and Japan. We were neutral then to the point of losing business because we could not help the ones we favored by the mere act of amending. Yet to have amended our neutrality law then would have entailed no danger of us getting into it ourselves, because Ethiopia, Loyalist Spain, and China could not make war on us. Hence, we decided the law was a good one as it did give negative help at least to the ones we favored.

Just now the volume of business and resultant profits are no doubt tempting, especially in munitions. But such business and profits are secondary causes. Had the new law been certain to give advantages to Germany there would have been no extra session of Congress and, of course, no amendment. Therefore, the new law is clearly an overt act, an unneutral act. It is the first step toward getting involved in the war.

Despite the fact that England and France repaid us before with insults for the blood and treasure we gave them, we, as a people, are still overwhelmingly in sympathy with them as against Germany. To this extent the new law is in harmony with the feelings of the American people. On the other hand, the American people are more unanimous in their desire to stay out this time than they are as to which side may win. Therefore, the new law is not in harmony with this almost unanimous desire to keep out. I am not overlooking the fact that the advocates of the new law claim it is designed to keep us out. But can any human mind conceive how an act designed to help one side



Among the nations, there is no honor. Enemies today are in cahoots tomorrow. National morals are so

OUR MONTHLY MEDITATION.

"Behold the Lamb of God!" Thus John introduced Jesus to his disciples. A significant word that involved His whole mission and purpose, the central importance of the Old Testament and of the New. It referred to the chief reason of a Savior to the world and to the elaborate arrangement of God's mercy

Since Europe has been making history the God of War has worn a bloody shirt. Washington knew this when he told us to let them alone. And don't forget that Washington was not talking about an isolated country, even if it did take thirty days to cross the Atlantic. Europe was at both our side door and back door at the time. Spain was in Florida and Texas, France was in Louisiana and England was claiming a part of our Northwest Territory. Washington didn't advise us to join one or more of these nations in order to whip the others. He advised us to let them all alone and attend to our own business. When President Monroe announced the principle which bears his name, he didn't merely state that we would object to any foreign nation gaining a foothold on this side of the ocean. The Monroe doctrine also, (and it should have), announced we would not participate in conflicts affecting the destinies of other nations. If we are going to go abroad and help foreign people settle their conflicts of arms how can we object to them butting in over here?

There is one sure way to stay out. Simply advise our servants at Washington we are not going to fight in any foreign wars. The whole world seems mad. There is no telling the sacrifices we may have to some day make in order to preserve our own great civilization. But let it be here in defense of our own firesides. Our liberties are not tied up with intrigues of European politics and its age-old prejudices, jealousies and fears. So let us stay out by not taking sides any further.

to provide a rescue for the sinner, that all who believe in Him shall not be lost. It's the only "Lamb of God" of which we know, the only possibility for our salvation. In Him and through Him alone. —Whether John gave additional explanations to his disciples, elucidating and paraphrasing his introductory remark, stressing the importance and worldwide significance and the ushering in of a new spiritual era and the solemn completion and the fulfilment of the O. T. predictions, allusions, symbols, (Continued on Last Page)

By Pierce Brooks

But the American system as founded by Washington and clarified by Jefferson and expounded so vigorously by Cleveland, is facing a threat more serious from an ism that has grown up among our native-born population, and is purely an internal ism.

There is a point where taxation becomes confiscation. The tax bucket can be carried to the well once too often. When that time arrives, private industry will be forced to close its doors, millions of men and women will be unemployed, their labor unions can no longer function and they will be vassals of the state capitalistic regime, working at whatever price the bureaucracy sets with no appeal and no redress.

The principal that the people should support the government, and not the government the people, is as sound now as when enunciated. America has grown great under the present system. Any assault upon that system from within or from without is a distinct threat at Americanism and is therefore un-American.

To Fletcher's State Rights Farming:
A feud exists between the Jones family and the Smith family. Mr. Brown, a neighbor, repeatedly proclaims his neutrality as he draws his gun and warns Mr. Jones that he will shoot if he, Jones, attacks one of the Smith clan.

The question in this hypothetical case is, Has Mr. Brown convinced Mr. Jones of his professed neutrality? Has he done "Everything possible" to keep out of the war?

Canada has declared war on Germany. Mr. Roosevelt, while loudly declaring our neutrality, warns Germany, one of the belligerents, that if she attacks the other belligerent, Canada, we will help Canada.

Perhaps we would and should, but is this kind of diplomacy what might be called doing "Everything possible" to keep us out of War?

Perhaps our neutrality law, and
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ordinances and occurrences fore-shadowing His coming, we have no record of it if he did say more. But that part seems painfully clear: There was no reaction, no response, no visible reception of joy, overwhelming joy, as it should have been. John himself quietly carried on his preparatory work; his disciples, to all indications, also quietly remained at his side. Did they not understand the meaning of it all? Were they indifferent, cold, disinterested? Lacked they courage, initiative, the presence of mind, to do something about it? Were they caught by the unexpected, overpowered by the grandeur of the vista, the view into the future, into eternity, were they gasping for breath, with commotion? Who can say? Who can read their mind? Silent waters usually are the deepest. Thoughts and events do not click in the same tempo with man. While some catch the drift at once, others need time to discover whence the wind is blowing. Spiritual food, ordinarily, needs time for digestion. Moses did not at once detect the meaning of that burning bush, nor did young Samuel recognize the voice of God immediately; those shepherds at Bethlehem, Zacharias before them, the Samaritan woman, Nazareth and Jerusalem were slow in getting the issue of the hour. A vast number remain blindfolded, deaf and dumb, when great opportunities knock at their door. —Now it's the day after that first introduction. Jesus again hovers in sight. John repeats his former designation to point Him out. Only two disciples are with him that day. Significant, is it? Where are the others? Meditating, contemplating, trying to get into the clear about John's announcement, into the clear about this Lamb of God? Faith has small beginnings, often a slow growth, differing with different individuals, but, if of the right kind, it must be something strictly personal. Here are two that came to a faster conclusion. They follow Jesus, somewhat timidly, hesitatingly. And then Jesus turns about, incidentally or on purpose, annoyed or agreeably surprised at the prospect of His first disciples? The answer is easy. Just two follow. A pitifully small number of the many that must have heard John's introductory exclamation. And even these two are not so overly sure about their intentions. "What seek ye?" The very question throws them into a flutter of consternation and heartquake. They are stammering a cold reply, a formal civility of address, "Rabbi", that means mighty little, a trivial answer that fully hides their burning and yearning hearts. —"What seek ye?" What would our answer have been? What seek we in our brief span of life? Daily we are confronted with that question from the same source. It touches the core of our life, the specific aim of our heart and soul. Seek we but the secondary things of life, in common with the heathen or irreligious, or seek we uppermost, first of all that Lamb of God and what it stands for? Christ is waiting for your answer, I think.

—C. W.

SOUTHERN SONGS

Drown from the hillside
persistently floats
The sound of the brown
Quail's cheery call notes.
And Fe-larks trill their
liquid refrain
Over the tawny fields now
garnared of grain.

But the songs that haunt
every homesick heart
Are melodies they've heard
of the Southland a part,
Over quiet, country lanes
and small busy streets,
Since the Mocker, perpetual,
this gay medley repeats.

—LELA WILLHITE.

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many other foolish laws of this administration, should be repealed but is the time propitious? There are occasions when any move of the hand may look like a draw and start a shooting contest. Especially is this true if a warning accompanies the hand movement to the effect that the owner of the hand will shoot one of the shooters already exchanging fire if he shoots the other.

Perhaps we should take sides. That is our right. But if we are neutral this all looks like bad manners, to the writer.

We have the best government of all time excepting God's own rule. Every American should fight to preserve it and love it more than party or president.

If we enter war we establish here what we seek to destroy in Europe. We have more to fear from an American dictatorship than we have of Hitler.

E. G. FRANCIS,
Mineral Wells, Texas.

THE MONEY QUESTION.

Thomas A. Edison on Money
(Thomas A. Edison was quoted as follows by Congressman Charles G. Binderup in the Congressional Record of May 7, 1938).

The only dynamite that works in this country is the dynamite of a sound idea. I think we are getting a sound idea on the money question. The people have an instinct which tells them that something is wrong and that the wrong somehow centers in money. Don't allow them to confuse you with the cry of "paper money." The danger of paper money is precisely the danger of gold—if you get too much it is no good. There is just one rule for money and that is to have enough to carry all the legitimate trade that is waiting to move. Too little and too much are both bad. But enough to move trade, enough to prevent stagnation on the one hand and not enough to permit speculation on the other hand, is the proper ratio.

If our Nation can issue a dollar bond it can issue a dollar bill. The element that makes the bond good makes the bill good also. The difference between the bond and the bill is that the bond lets money brokers collect twice the amount of the bond and an additional 20 per cent, whereas the currency pays nobody but those who contribute directly in some useful way.

It is absurd to say that our country can issue \$30,000,000 in bonds and not \$30,000,000 in currency. Both are promises to pay: but one promise fattens the usurer and the other helps the people.

It is the people who constitute the basis of government credit. Why then cannot the people have the benefit of their own gilt-edge credit by receiving non-interest-bearing currency—instead of bankers receiving the benefit of the people's credit in interest-bearing bonds? If the United States government will adopt this policy of increasing its national wealth without contributing to the interest collector—for the whole national debt is made up of interest charges—then you will see an era of progress and prosperity in this country such as could never have come otherwise.

PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS

One sees the dawn
While waiting for the day
One sees the night
The day yet bright
One is death's pawn
All of life's way
One poor tho' rich
One rich tho' poor
Will your
Way
Be—Which?

—EDITH ANISFIELD WOLF.

Just had a note from a welfare worker in the State of Illinois in which he said: "The struggle in this country is not between classes, but between ignorance and knowledge." Well, he was right; only partly so. Better have said: "The struggle is between truth and falsehood."

We see much of what is called "knowledge", but it consists of false positions, illogical thinking and false conclusions. Pupils come out of schools stuffed with this kind of knowledge, and life to them goes awry and they lead others likewise. This welfare worker is laboring to popularize the idea of broadening the utility of common school houses as a means of combatting this ignorance and falsehood.

He wants these community centers used more as open Forums for public discussion. Good idea. County Superintendents everywhere could do much in encouraging the teachers to organize these Open Forums in all public school houses.

The main hindrance would be the innate tendency in human beings to

draw their salary and do as little as possible. And then the thick wall of ignorance and falsehood is hard to go up against. A man has to have within him somewhat of a martyr spirit to storm it. Even then he will often be opposed by organized falsehood entrenched as Government authority.

P. A. SPAIN,
Paris, Texas.

SPARE ME SELFISHNESS

Lord, teach me kindness
Whatever may befall;
Though physical weakness
I often times recall.
Teach me secret equanimity;
That I may advise
Wisely frail humanity
Above the carnal to rise.
Keep me from selfish sick
And spiritually high above
Earth; that I may not trick
Or sadden those I love;
When I am sick, yet serene,
Lord, make me pure and clean.

—GENEVA DRISKILL.

Tell 'em about Farming.

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More Christ—Less Creed!
—N. H. DUNNING.

Bascom Timmons

Best Judge of People's Temper

Far-Flung Network of Contacts

Because his acquaintanceship in all parts of the country is second to none, I believe this far-flung network of contacts and knowledge of men would make it possible for Garner to call into service men of outstanding ability for his cabinet and other administrative places. His standard for judicial appointments would be high. He would be especially anxious to find proper men for diplomatic posts. His long experience on the House Foreign Affairs Committee imbued him with

believed there was no way to stay out and he still believes there was no way to stay out. He insisted that his only son go to war then.

Opposed to Government in Business

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Has Vivid "Sense of Humanity"

rights because he believes them the very base of human rights. Ownership of property, he thinks, is one of the best guarantees of the dignity and independence of the individual. He is against favoritism in law enforcement.

Garner knows you cannot get something for nothing. He believes in constructive economy. He is the indestructible pioneer type who learned in a pioneer country how hard it is to make a dollar. He would be scrupulously careful with the taxpayer's dollar. He has the courage to resist fantastic proposals and boldly to meet an issue.

To continued efforts to find solutions of the Nation's problems Garner would take to the presidency vast experience. "Experience," to paraphrase the great Justice Holmes, "is the life of administration."

Garner loves his country, believes in it, knows it is durable and wants it to believe in itself. He wants Government to do its part toward preserving freedom of opportunity. He believes economy, thrift and self-reliance are still the hallmark of the majority of Americans.

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D'HANIS, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1939

D'HANIS HIGH SCHOOL NE

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reinhart had as their guests Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Reinhart and children of San Antonio, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mueller and sons of Hondo.

received high score prize for guests and Miss Stella Finger for members. Miss Ursie Lee Rock received low score prize, and Mrs. Herman Ney drew high for consolation. The hostesses were Mrs. J. H. Smith and Mrs. J. H. Smith.

ne above and the following: Me

Christmas playlet and musical numbers was presented by the grammar-school pupils of St. Anthony's School at the Parish Hall on Wednesday evening, December 20. The program was directed by the primary teacher, Miss Mary E. O'Connell. The number was a Christmas playlet by the fifth and sixth grades with harmonica and accordion music by Herbert Nester. Santa Claus entered the auditorium and presented each child a

ANVIL SPARKS

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IN THE EUROPEAN WAR.

"It is not in the best interest of

"American democracy to gamble everything of value we possess in return for some temporary profits together with a permanent participation in a post war chaos most certain and revolutionary in character."

A pertinent matter that must be taken into consideration in connection with the proposal to repeal the embargo, the Wisconsin senator said, is the administration's foreign policy since the end of the war.

"The ADMINISTRATION," he declared, "HAS ardently SOUGHT POWER to select the aggressor and to determine the POLICY."

FOR FAVOR ON BELLIGERENT
AS AGAINST ANOTHER. This re-
cord must have its bearing on the full
implications of repeal of the arms
embargo. No doubt many who favor
it because they favor our participa-

"Therefore, they can truthfully say they think it will keep our country out of actual war. But WHAT IF ARMS, AMMUNITION, AND IMPLEMENTS OF WAR ARE NOT

ENOUGH? Then as certain as can be
these same people will be urging
urther measures to secure a victory
or one group of belligerents." Declaring that repeal of the arms

mbargo would be taken by the inter-
 tionists as a vote of confidence in
 their effort to get us in the war, Sen.
 a Follette continued:
 "IF WE ENTER THE WAR OUR

OWN DEMOCRACY WILL BE THE FIRST CASUALTY. THEN WE WOULD INEVITABLY HAVE A DICTATORSHIP such as we have never seen before. In the very nature